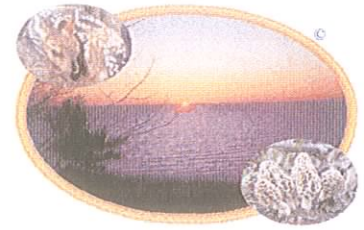


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Jeff Gray, Sanctuary Superintendent
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary
500 W. Fletcher Street
Alpena, MI 49707

Dear Mr. Gray:

This letter is being sent from Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce, serving Alcona County to show support for the proposed boundary expansion for the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve to include waters off Alpena, Alcona and Presque Isle Counties.

The expansion of these boundaries will have significant positive impact on the understanding and research of our maritime heritage by enabling utilization of increased federal financial resources, along with increasing educational programming for the public. Residents and visitors will have greater awareness and understanding of the area's maritime heritage.

Thank you for all your work on this project and let Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce know if there is anything we can further do to support this effort.

Sincerely

Judie Labadie
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President

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